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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Koichiro Hori et al  
Serial No.: 08/994,537  
Filing Date: 12/19/97  
For: DEVICE-STEERING SHAFT ASSEMBLY AND  
ENDOSCOPE  
Group: 3732  
Examiner: P. Hirsch  
Attorney's Docket No.: OKTA-11

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time to reply to the outstanding Office Action dated 18 February 1999, thereby extending the time for reply from 18 May 1999 to 18 July 1999.

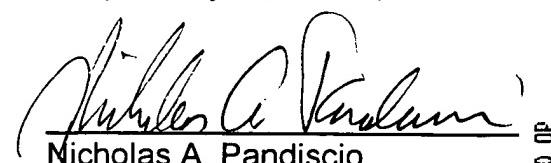
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Respectfully submitted,



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